

To Get a Job Done Better Call on a Busy Man, not a Loafer; For a Busy Man Always Seeks to Do More While a Loafer Seeks to Do Less

**AMERICAN RELIEF
FACING APPALLING
TASK IN RUSSIA**New Feeding Million and Half
Children, Says Hoover**INCREASE DURING WINTER**Predicted Number May Reach
Three Million Before Early
Summer Next Year

Washington, Dec. 15.—(By the Associated Press)—The American Relief Association is now feeding a million and a half Russian children, Secretary Hoover, head of the organization said today.

He expressed the opinion that there would be a large increase in the number for which the association will have to provide for before next June. He believes the number may reach three millions.

**THOUSANDS MOURN AT
WANAMAKER FUNERAL**Philadelphia Stops All Business Dur-
ing Last Services for Famous
Merchant

Philadelphia, Dec. 15.—John Wanamaker, merchant, philanthropist and former postmaster-general, was buried yesterday afternoon after simple services at Bethany Presbyterian church, which he founded more than half a century ago. Many men prominent in city, state and nation were among those who filled the edifice. Thousands of others stood silently in the snow outside during the funeral cortege. Most of them previously had passed by the big store as the body lay in state in the church.

Business throughout the city was suspended for five minutes during the services. City council adjourned as a token of respect for the man who had taken a prominent part in many public enterprises; the Philadelphia stock exchange closed at 2 p. m., and the public school at noon. The funeral services were conducted by Rev. A. Gordon MacLennan, pastor of Bethany church.

Interment was private at the Wanamaker crypt in the burial ground of the Protestant Episcopal church of St. James the Less, Falls of Schuylkill, on the outskirts of the city. When the procession entered the gates, the chiming in the tower of the church rang out "Lead Kindly Light," one of Wanamaker's favorite hymns. Rev. Edward B. Ritchie, rector of the church, read the Episcopal burial service and a quartet sang. Taps played by Capt. T. C. Jones, military instructor of the Wanamaker Institute, concluded the services.

**SAYS KLAN DEFEATED
HER FOR CONGRESS**Miss Robertson Declares that Radi-
cals, not Democrats, Won in
Oklahoma Election.

New York, Dec. 15.—Miss Alice M. Robertson, Representative in Congress from Oklahoma, in a speech at a luncheon of the Rotary Club at the Hotel McAlpin yesterday placed the blame for her defeat at the last election upon the Ku Klux Klan. When Miss Robertson first learned of the probable election of W. W. Hastings, Democrat, she was quoted in a dispatch from Muskogee to the effect that the election was "not clean" and that there was "cheating in many parts of the district." In her speech she charged that Mr. Hastings was a member of the Klan and that Klan influence had elected him to Congress.

"I was defeated by the Ku Klux Klan of Oklahoma," said Miss Robertson. "And I am a Presbyterian missionary! I am not saying a word against the Ku Klux Klan. I am not making any fight against them. They thought I would be defeated and they are welcome to their thoughts."

"But it is time we wiped out prejudice. It is time to unite and uphold the ideals contained in the Lord's prayer which makes no distinction between Protestant, Catholic or Jew. All prejudices, whether they be between employer and employee, or between religions, should be removed."

Miss Robertson said she doubted if her hearers knew how much socialist propaganda was being disseminated throughout the country in addition to the Klan propaganda. "I don't think there was a precinct in my district where this poisonous propaganda did not manifest itself," she continued. "Do you realize the seriousness of it all? Do you know that Oklahoma did not go Democratic? It went radical. I tremble for the State that gave me birth. We are in a most dangerous condition. But I am not a pessimist. I am an optimist for I know that 'God is in his heaven; all's right with the world.'"

WILLIAMS DEFEATS NORWICHWins Opening Game of Basketball
Season

Williamstown, Dec. 15.—In the first basketball game of the season William Williams defeated Norwich here last night 42 to 1. The visitors were completely outclassed from start to finish. The Purple started off with the whistle, rolling up 27 points during the first half, while the consistent guarding of Peace and Cook held the visitors to two points, both

HARVEY COMING HOMEAmbassador at London Summoned for
Consultation

London, Dec. 15.—(By the Associated Press)—George Harvey, American ambassador, has been called home for consultation, it was stated at the American embassy today.

This announcement followed the word that Colonel Harvey's trip was due to anxiety about Mrs. Harvey's health.

**KELLER FAILS TO
ANSWER SUMMONS
OF COMMITTEE**Did not Appear to Press Charges
Against Daugherty**PUBLISHED STATEMENT**Claim Proceedings Merely an
Attempt to Whitewash
Attorney General

Washington, Dec. 14 (By the Associated Press)—Representative Keller failed to appear today before the house judiciary committee in response to a summons served on him yesterday after he had refused to participate further in the presentation of his impeachment charges against Attorney General Daugherty.

Washington, Dec. 15.—Representative Keller of Minnesota refused yesterday to participate further in the hearings before the House judiciary committee on the impeachment charges brought by him against Attorney General Daugherty. Characterizing the hearings as a "comic opera performance," he declared he would not incur to his responsibility as a member of the House if he assisted further in "a barefaced attempt to whitewash Harry M. Daugherty."

Immediately after he announced his withdrawal the committee in open session and without leaving its place voted to go on with the hearings; to subpoena Mr. Keller as a witness, put him under oath and question him as to the basis for his charges of high crimes and misdemeanors against the attorney-general. Later, he was summoned formally by the House sergeant-at-arms to appear before the committee at 10:30 tomorrow morning. This turn in the proceedings came with dramatic suddenness and was attended by a tumult and uproar seldom witnessed in a congressional committee room. After absenting himself much of the day Keller appeared with a typewritten statement in his hand and announced that he desired to read it to the committee. He was refused the opportunity, but later made public the statement which dealt in detail with his reasons for refusing to go on and embodied a demand that the committee favorably report his resolution to the House so that he might present his evidence "to an unbiased committee in the proper way."

"I reiterate now," the statement said, "that I am in possession of evidence ample to prove Harry M. Daugherty guilty of all of the high crimes and misdemeanors with which I have charged him."

Keller set forth 10 specific complaints against committee action in his statement. These included:—

"That every important decision of the committee as to procedure had been made in secret and without opportunity for himself or his counsel to be heard in advance."

"That those secret decisions had operated to restrict him in presenting his evidence in the order in which it could be most 'expeditiously and effectively' presented and that also they had taken from him the right to call his witnesses without first notifying the committee as to what they would testify."

"That the committee had failed to comply with his request for the production of documents from the justice and other federal departments so that he might obtain from them in advance important evidence in support of his charges."

"That the committee had 'arrogated' to itself the right to determine what documents should or should not be admitted into evidence by a 'secret examination' of such documents."

GRISWOLD STORE ENLARGEDNearly Double the Size and Stock
Greatly Enlarged

The Griswold store has been practically doubled in size during the past few days and is now in condition to receive visitors.

The Griswolds, a month ago rented the hall over the Banner office which had been the headquarters of the girls' club for several years. This hall is practically as large as the Griswold store and the two have been connected by a stairway at the rear of the store.

This has given the firm of Griswold a chance to spread out their wares and unpack the large additional stock which they had stored in readiness.

For the first time in years it is possible for the Griswolds to arrange their stock where it can be seen to advantage.

The light in the hall upstairs is probably the best of any store in town and in that department they have toys and articles for children, pictures, sleds, skis, snowshoes, phonographs, etc. The clerks upstairs are Miss Jane Patterson, Miss Margaret Pilling, and D. Ed. Moga.

SLID OFF COLGATE ROADTwo Young Men From Troy Injured
This Morning

Two young men from Troy were victims of a serious accident near the Mt. Anthony crossing, west of the Philmore farm early this morning.

They had been to Bennington and were on their way back to Troy at about 2:30 and were probably traveling fast when their Chevrolet car left the road and landed in the ditch against a tree, demolishing the car and injuring one of the young men quite painfully. The other was able to get to a telephone and summon help.

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Lillian Greene,
North Bennington, Vt., Dec. 15, 1922.

**JINX SCORNED BY
THIRTEEN CLUB**Holds Fourteenth Annual Ban-
quet and Tries Out Old
Superstition

New York, Dec. 15.—The jinx of bad luck collapsed yesterday as the Thirteen club started on its 14th year of existence.

The club held its 14th annual dinner last night, the 13th. It began at 13 minutes to 8 and ended at 13 minutes after 12. During that time, 13 tables of diners with 13 at each table, and 13 at the speaker's table, ate 13 courses served by 13 waiters. The diners entered the banquet hall by walking under a ladder and sat with 13 open umbrellas and 13 skeletons in the room.

Every member tempted fate in some way. Every possible superstition was given a tryout, from breaking a mirror to tipping over the salt; and then, as the banquet ended, two members took chairs and waited for jinxes to appear and accept the challenge.

At daybreak the two tempters, tired but happy, snapped their fingers at fate and left for home.

MRS. H. S. BINGHAM DEAD.Long Time Resident of Bennington
Dies at Greenfield, Mass.

Fannie Loring Bingham, wife of Henry S. Bingham, died this noon at her home in Greenfield, Mass. The body will be brought here Sunday and the funeral will be held at the Second Congregational church Monday morning at 10 o'clock.

The news of Mrs. Bingham's death was conveyed by telephone to H. B. Hutchins early this afternoon and all the particulars were not given. Mrs. Bingham suffered a shock several months ago and was thought to be getting better, but a day or two ago her condition took a turn for the worse. She was about 70 years old.

Mrs. Bingham was the daughter of the late J. H. Loring, who founded the business now known as the H. M. Tuttle Co. Nearly all her active life was spent here. She was a woman of strong character and executive ability and took a leading part in Bennington activities of many kinds. She was a member of the Second Congregational church and had a wide circle of friends throughout Vermont.

She is survived by her husband, and one daughter, Mrs. James P. Abercrombie of Greenfield. One son, Loring Bingham, died a number of years ago. After he retired from business a few years ago, Mr. and Mrs. Bingham moved to Greenfield to be near their daughter. Mr. Bingham has been in serious ill health for a number of years and is confined to his room.

EDITOR MUNDELL DEAD.Had Published Londonderry Sifter
For Six Years.

Henry Albert Mundell, 61, editor of the Londonderry Sifter, died at Brattleboro, Wednesday of an aneurism after an illness of about five weeks, the last three weeks of which he was in Brattleboro.

Born in Brookline July 2, 1861, he was one of the five children of Daniel and Mary (Holden) Mundell. He took up newspaper work in early life and for 15 years worked on papers in New York city as reporter. Among these papers were the Sun and the World. The publishers of the World offered him a position within the past year or two, but he declined to accept it because he preferred country life to life in the city. For the past six years he had been editor of the Sifter.

He had lived in Peckskill, N. Y., and Liberty, N. Y., and it was while living in the latter place about 12 years ago that his wife, Mrs. Emma E. (Shields) Mundell, whom he married about 21 years ago, died.

Mr. Mundell leaves a son, J. Henry Mundell, a junior in Vermont academy at Saxtons River, and a daughter, Miss Altha Marie Mundell, who lives at home also one brother, Frank Mundell of Montague, Mass. A brother, William, died about 35 years ago, and a sister, Clark, died 11 years ago, and a sister, Ella Phillips, died about 29 years ago. A sister, Rosie, died at the age of three years. He leaves several nieces and nephews.

Mr. Mundell was a member of the Odd Fellows lodge at South Londonderry and until three years ago was a member of the Printers' Union in New York city.

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**SECOND ARREST
OF MRS. HARRISON
BY SOVIET ORDER**American Newspaper Writer
Going Back to Moscow Prison**CHARGES NOT SPECIFIED**Woman Had Served Long Term,
Being Released More
Than Year Ago

London, Dec. 15.—(By the Associated Press)—A Reuters dispatch from Chita reports the arrest of Mrs. Marguerite E. Harrison of Baltimore, a newspaper writer and says she is being taken to Moscow under escort.

The charges against Mrs. Harrison, who was released from Moscow prison more than a year ago, were not specified. Her arrest at Chita, the dispatch says, was an order from the Soviet government.

W. B. Sheldon.

Editor of the Banner: There are many friends of W. B. Sheldon, who died on December 8, in his boyhood home of Dorset, where he removed in the late summer after living in Bennington and practicing his profession here for about fifty years, who will appreciate a notice supplemental to that which appeared in the Banner on the day of his death. Such a man does not leave a community and go out into the other life without a record of character and service which can scarcely be adequately stated in a necessarily hurried news report.

The references in the Banner to some of his notable legal battles and his characteristics as a lawyer and public man was accurate and interesting. But I would like to mention in addition, after nearly a score of years of intimate acquaintance with Mr. Sheldon, the profound impression he made upon me in his public service as a man who had the strongest sense of right and justice and who took up with cases and causes not merely from professional zeal but because of the moral quality of their appeal to him. Some equally earnest men might differ with him in judgment but his sincerity and integrity were not to be questioned. And all in all he had very discriminating and wise judgment, and his intellectual processes were very logical. It was a keen pleasure to debate with him and more often than not one came round in private opinion, at least, to his way of thinking.

Mr. Sheldon, although an ardent advocate, had the qualities of a good judge, and what was said by one of the speakers at the funeral service, that he loved peace and that the main thing with him was a reasonable and conciliatory settlement in the matters of dispute, I believe to be quite true. At the same time he was a fine fighter, intensely combative for his deep-seated convictions. And that combination of the aggressively forceful and persistent with the fair-minded and ironic spirit I admired very much, and I think many did.

How varied was Mr. Sheldon's usefulness and influence is briefly indicated by the fact that for twenty-four years he was moderator of the graded school district, in that position always responsible, sometimes in delicate or difficult circumstances, with a skill and dignified fairness, that won the respect of every group; by the fact that in village and town meetings his voice and proposal carried great weight, usually nothing important coming to a vote until Mr. Sheldon had spoken; and by the fact that as a member of the board of trustees of the Second Congregational society, and its clerk for ten years, from 1900 to 1910, in a period when some critical questions of large policy were settled, his judgment was very powerful and his wisdom far-seeing.

At the funeral service in Dorset and again at our memorial service in our church meeting last night, I spoke of how Mr. Sheldon in an extraordinary way had huddled himself into the very material fabric of the Church, the improvement of the property and especially the beautiful and artistic interior renovation in 1908 owing more than is commonly known to his vision and plan and practical working out, with the help of other strong men in the particular parish group, of the architectural and financial details. Mr. Sheldon loved the church building—he had great pride in its improvement and upkeep, and the writer knows so well, spent literally days and weeks working with his own hands at patching holes and bigger ones, which was a generous gift of real service. And he loved the church in its history and traditions, and he lived in it as a worshiper and he was as splendidly loyal to every pastor, and a faithful and zealous co-worker.

Of the truth and depth of Mr. Sheldon's religious life I may not write here—it was spoken of in the church family meeting. But as his pastor, and feeling for him three long years a deep affection, and having had straight glimpses into his soul, I joyfully proclaim my belief in him as a Christian who fought a good fight and kept the faith.

George S. Mills,
December 15.

POINCARÉ WOULD RESIGNFrench Premier Ready to Withdraw
Gracefully.

Paris, Dec. 15.—(By the Associated Press)—Premier Poincaré told the Chamber of Deputies today that he was ready to withdraw "gracefully" if the chamber had another cabinet ready.

**LEGION FROWNS
ON BEER AND WINE**World War Veterans Do Not
Want Bonus Hatched Up
With Booze

Washington, Dec. 15.—The American Legion has definitely decided to frown upon all plans for linking a beer and light wines act to the soldiers' bonus bill, the International News Service learned today. Legion officials, including National Commander Alvin T. Owsley, reached this decision at a conference here. They feared that raising the prohibition issue would jeopardize passage of the bonus by the present congress.

A majority of legion officials also are opposed to inclusion in the new bill of any provisions for payment of the bonus. It was said. This ban would extend not only to sales tax and luxury taxes, but even to the proposed bond issue suggested by Chairman Fordney, Republican, Michigan, of the house ways and means committee.

ARTHUR MULLIGAN DIESRemains Brought to Home of Sister,
Margaret Larin.

The remains of Arthur Mulligan arrived this morning from the Poughkeepsie hospital and were taken to the home of his sister, Margaret Larin of Park street. Mr. Mulligan had visited in Bennington and had many friends here who will be sorry to learn of his death.

The survivors are a daughter, Miss Mary Mulligan, three sisters, Mrs. Henry Donaldson of Andover, Mass., Miss Catherine Mulligan of Montreal and Mrs. Margaret Larin of Bennington; three brothers, Frank of Camp Fort Howard, Md., Charles of County street, Bennington, and George of Michigan.

The funeral will be held from St. Francis de Sales church Saturday morning at 9 o'clock. The body will be placed in the Park Lawn vault.

PRATISE LOCAL MUSICIANHarold Murray and Guy Savery
Located in Virginia

The following was clipped from the Halifax Gazette of South Boston, Va., dated November 23:

"Those who have attended the Prince George theatre this week are unanimous in their praise of the music which is being rendered there by the new musicians who arrived Monday. They are Savery and Murray, respectively pianist and violinist, and are easily the best musicians that have ever played at this house. The pianist plays with precision and pep and the violinist's tones are at all times clear and true while both play the pictures in a way that is both refreshing and unusual here."

Mr. Murray is a well-known and popular young man of this village, the son of Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Murray of Gage street. Mr. Savery, whose home is in Wallingford, is also well known in Bennington.

"THE HEADLESS HORSEMAN."Story By Washington Irving in Film
Play.

"Everything comes to him who waits," according to the old maxim, and for once this came true in the life of Will Rogers, who plays the role of Ichabod Crane in "The Headless Horseman," or "The Legend of Sleepy Hollow," the attraction at Harte theatre, tonight. However, in the role of Ichabod Crane, Mr. Rogers must be his own self, allowing his pleasing personality to hold full sway. The very fact that he likes the role, makes his characterization very near perfect. Mr. Rogers feels that it is quite a coincidence that he would be asked to play the role of the grotesque schoolmaster of Sleepy Hollow, when it was, in fact, one of the roles that he was most desirous of enacting. "The Headless Horseman" is being shown at Harte theatre tonight only.

VOLUNTEERS PROVED EASY.Fell Before Cooper Estate by Decided
Margin.

The Cooper Estate bowling team defeated the Volunteers in a one sided match at the Y-Alleys last night. The winners won every game and each member of that team won over his respective opponent. Fletcher won the high scoring honors, he bowled 190 and 500 for single and three string total. F. Perry was second.

Volunteers	Cooper Estate
Perry	124 163 134 151
W. White	182 97 120 239
Perry	110 128 171 429
Charteris	167 154 197 428
Pineau	127 680 709 2116
Totals	727 680 799 2116
F. Perry	118 178 126 482
J. Comar	123 158 124 415
H. Vozzy	180 141 148 469
La Flomine	118 158 125 421
Fletcher	190 178 160 509
Totals	729 791 721 2301

FIGHTING KU KLUXAttempt to Terrorize Foreman of
Georgia Grand Jury.

Winder, Ga., Dec. 15.—Declaring that the mass meeting against the alleged prevailing activities of the Ku Klux Klan will be held if he alone attends, Robert L. Woodruff today completed arrangements for the session to adopt resolutions declaring Barrow county in favor of the preservation of law and order.

The last grand jury of which Woodruff was foreman was instructed to investigate the reign of terror by masked men and the jury returned in dictaments and Woodruff received a notice that he was a "marked man."

**BALLARD, LEADER
OF MOONSHINERS
FALLS IN BATTLE**Charged With Slaying Two
Federal Officers**GUY COLE, AGENT, KILLED**Twenty Men in Early Morning
Clash With Kentucky
Mountaineers

Lexington, Ky., Dec. 15.—(By the Associated Press)—Prohibition director Sam Collins received word today that Bob Ballard, leader of the Menifee county moonshine gang sought for the slaying of two federal officers last week, was killed in an early morning battle with 20 prohibition agents.

Guy Cole, one of the agents, was killed in the clash.

**FOOTBALL PLAYERS
WILL HOLD BANQUET**Members of High School Team Will
Also Elect Officers Tuesday
Evening.

The Bennington high school football team for 1922 will hold its banquet and the election of captain and manager for 1923, Tuesday evening, December 19, at the Y. M. C. A. The banquet will be served by the Y. M. C. A. Ladies auxiliary, with Mrs. W. H. Nichols in charge. All boys who were regular members of the squad or who played part of any game are invited to attend. Principal Walter Wood will be in charge of the presentation of high school football emblems. Thirteen boys are expected to receive their insignia for services with the team the past season.

A number of schools have written to the coach asking for games next fall, constituting a nucleus around which the new manager to be appointed Tuesday may build a schedule.

With most of this year's team returning to school next fall the possibilities of Bennington high having a football team second to none in this section is exceptionally bright. The number of games lost the past season is no indication that the boys did not play real football, for the team improved with every game and lost mostly through lack of football sense in the pinches. With the experience gained this year a successful season is looked forward to for the coming year.

Cushman, Ransom and Allen Mills are being mentioned as nominees for captain while Robert Levin, who served as assistant the past season is the only probable man for the manager position.

RESOLUTION OF RESPECTAdopted By American Legion Post
On Ernest White

The following resolution was presented by the resolutions committee of the American Legion Post No. 13, adopted and ordered to be placed on the permanent records of the organization, sending copy to the family of the deceased.

It is with profound regret that we place upon the records of the American Post No. 13, a minute of the death of our comrade, Ernest W. White, occurring December 10, 1922. Thoroughly competent as a workman, faithful and willing in the service of his country and later to his Post, cheerful beyond a fault, adored by his family, loved and respected by a wide circle of friends, in commemoration of his many virtues, this testimonial of our keen sense of loss is with reverence adopted.

True and much loved he was. Though now his journey ended, yet his course and joys, he left—But still he holds his friends.

REMODELING GREENHOUSES.L. C. Holton Makes Extensive Im-
provements at School Street Plant.

L. C. Holton, the School street florist is busy these days stocking the additional space created by recent improvements at his School street greenhouses. The building of a new house recently has nearly doubled the amount of space under glass.

The new house is equipped with permanent concrete benches made in a patented mould and which will last as long as the house stands. These benches are scientifically drained and take up no more space than the wooden benches that had to be replaced every few years.

One big bench is already filled with winter snapdragons almost ready to bud and another is planted in winter gladioli. It is Mr. Holton's intention to raise 10,000 geraniums for next season and he is also raising some winter lettuce.

M'GRATH ORDERED OUTDail Eireann Consul Gets Letter With
Threat

New York, Dec. 15.—(By the Associated Press)—Daniel J. McGrath formerly Dail Eireann consul to the United States today was warned to leave this country before December 26 by a mysterious letter writer who signed himself, "authority of Irish Republican army."

McGrath refused comment but admitted letter held him responsible for the execution of Rory O'Connor and three other Irish Republican officers.

**TO BEGIN FILLING
NEW 3000 TON ICE
HOUSE JANUARY 1**Modern Plant of Crystal Ice Co.
Nears Completion**TWO-ACRE POND CREATED**Backing Up Spring Brook Makes
Desirable Source of
Cooling Product

Unless unforeseen contingencies arise the Crystal Ice company, Inc., expects to begin storing ice in its new 3000-ton capacity ice house on the South Street road not later than January 1. The house, which is 100x50 feet and 25 feet high, would have been finished at an earlier date but for the delay in the shipment of some of the larger timbers which were secured in Maine.

Before undertaking the construction of the building, William H. Myers visited the ice cutting section along the Hudson river and inspected some of the big plants that supply the mammoth demand in New York city. In this section every known facility for the harvesting and storing of ice is utilized and perfected. The experience obtained on this tour of inspection has been incorporated in the company's new plant and W. E. Palmer, the contractor, says there is not a better ice house in the state of Vermont.

Ordinarily four walls and a roof are supposed to constitute an ice house, but the Crystal company have gone far beyond that idea and have built for permanency and economy of operation. The house is built with a double wall, with a ten-inch space between. The intervening space will be filled with sawdust. This system of construction has been given a thorough trial by Hudson river ice dealers and they claim that ice may be stored in such a structure without packing in sawdust. The method permits a better use of space and ice is in much better shape when delivered to the consumer.

Late in the summer, the company, through its contractor, M. J. Birrington, constructed a seven-foot concrete dam on what is known as the Lawrence Falls brook and by which a pond of about two acres has been created. Land for the plant was secured from Fred Foster and Fred Lawrence, purchasing from the former and leasing from the latter.

The brook flows through territory practically free from contamination of any kind and is created by mountain springs. Such conditions should enable the production of much better ice than has been cut in recent years on Benton pond.

The company has also purchased a new Gee Ice harvester guaranteed to cut 100 tons of ice an hour under favorable circumstances. There is eight inches of excellent ice on the pond at the present time.

**FIRE PROTECTION
OF GRADED SCHOOL**Board Votes to Install Hose, Alarm,
Boxes and Extinguishers at
Early Date.

At a meeting of the school trustees held Wednesday evening a fire committee was present and recommended that additional fire protection be provided for the graded school building.

After consideration of the question, it was voted that two connections be made for fire hose in the basement. It is expected that this work will be done during the Christmas vacation. It was also voted to install two chemical fire extinguishers in the building of 25, saloons capacity and sufficient number of quart Pyrene extinguishers to provide one for each class room and two for the assembly hall. It was also voted to install a fire alarm box on the building with two auxiliary boxes to be placed inside the building probably one in the basement and one in the hall on the second floor near the office.

This action for additional fire protection of the building will be carried out at once.

WOUND BANK MESSENGERBandits Then Get Away With \$20,000
in Payrolls.

Philadelphia, Dec. 15.—Six men in an automobile today held up a bank messenger in Darby and robbed him of twenty thousand dollars after shooting him in the cheek.

The messenger was carrying pay rolls.

TODAY'S ISSUE

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